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- 2. 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time;
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 - ii. 6 pages of claims (43 claims);
 - iii. a one (1) page abstract;
- c. 78 sheets of drawings: (Fig. 1, Fig. 2, Figs. 3A-3D, Fig. 4, Figs. 5A-5F, Fig. 6, Fig. 7, Fig. 8, Fig. 9, Fig. 10, Fig. 11, Fig. 12, Fig. 13, Figs. 14A- 14C, Fig. 15, Fig. 16, Fig. 17, Fig. 18, Fig 19A, Fig. 19B, Fig. 20, Fig. 21, Fig. 22, Fig. 23, Fig. 24, Fig. 25, Fig. 26, Figs. 27A-27B, Fig. 28, Fig. 29, Fig. 30, Fig. 31, Fig. 32, Fig. 33, Fig. 34, Fig. 35, Figs. 36A-B, Fig. 36C, Fig. 36D, Fig. 37, Fig. 38, Fig. 39, Fig. 40, Fig. 41, Fig. 42, Fig. 43, Fig. 44, Fig. 45, Fig. 46A, Fig. 46B, Fig. 46C, Fig. 47, Fig. 48, Fig. 49, Fig. 50, Figs. 51A-B, Fig. 52, Fig. 53, Fig. 54, Figs. 55A-B, Fig. 56, Fig. 57, Fig. 58, Fig. 59, Fig. 60, Fig. 61, Fig. 62, Fig. 63, Fig. 64, Fig. 65, Fig. 66; Fig. 67, Fig. 68, Fig. 69, Figs. 70A-B, Fig. 71, Fig. 72 and Fig. 73); and
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